Collection of loans and interest and payment of necessary expenses will continue during the period of liquidation. Members will be notified to discontinue the use of share drafts and credit cards, and items will not be cleared 15 days from the liquidation date.

(c) Approval of the Regional Director must be obtained prior to consummating any sale of assets which would not provide sufficient funds to pay shareholders at par.

§ 710.5 Notice of liquidation to creditors.

- (a) When approval for liquidation is obtained from the members, the board of directors or the liquidating agent shall cause notice to be given to creditors to present their claims.
- (1) Federal credit unions with assets in excess of \$5 million as of the month end prior to the liquidation date shall publish the notice once a week in each of three successive weeks, in a newspaper of general circulation, in each county in which the Federal credit union maintains an office or branch for the transaction of business on the liquidation date. The first notice shall be published within seven days of the liquidation date.
- (2) Federal credit unions with assets in excess of \$500,000 but less than \$5 million as of the month end prior to the liquidation date shall publish the notice once, in a newspaper of general circulation, in each county in which the Federal credit union maintains an office or branch for the transaction of business on the liquidation date. The notice shall be published within seven days of the liquidation date.
- (3) Federal credit unions with assets less than \$500,000 as of the month end prior to the liquidation date shall not be required to publish the notice.
- (b) Within 10 days of the liquidation date, a copy of the notice of liquidation shall be mailed to all creditors reflected on the records of the Federal credit union.
- (c) Creditors shall be provided 30 days from the liquidation date to submit their claims.

§710.6 Distribution of assets.

- (a) With the approval of the regional director, a partial pro rata distribution of the Federal credit union's assets may be made to its members from cash funds available on authorization by the board of directors or liquidating agent. Payment of a partial distribution may exclude member accounts of less than \$25.00.
- (b) After all assets of the Federal credit union have been converted to cash or found to be worthless and all loans and debts owing to it have been collected or found to be uncollectible and all obligations of the Federal credit union have been paid, with the exception of shares due its members, the books shall be closed and the pro rata distribution to the members shall be computed. The computation shall be based on the total amount in each share account.
- (c) Promptly after the pro rata distribution to members has been computed, checks shall be drawn for the amounts to be distributed to each member. The checks shall be mailed to the members at their last known address or handed to them in person.
- (d) Unclaimed share accounts, unpaid claims, and unpaid claims of members or creditors who failed to cash their final distribution checks shall be trusteed or escheated in accordance with the laws of the state in which the member or creditor resides.
- (e) The Regional Director will be notified in writing within three days when the final distribution of assets to the members is started.

§710.7 Retention of records.

- (a) The board of directors or liquidating agent shall appoint a custodian for the Federal credit union's records which are to be retained after the final distribution of assets.
- (b) All records of the liquidated Federal credit union necessary to establish that creditors were paid and that assets were equitably distributed to the members shall be retained by the custodian for a period of five years following the date of charter cancellation.